

INDIANA

Park Operational Base Summary: The table below shows the annual park operating base for all parks within this state. Park operational base funds are supplemented by as yet undetermined amounts of project funding from regional or servicewide-managed programs, such as cyclic maintenance, the Natural Resources Preservation Program, and the Drug Enforcement Program.

If a park is in more than one state, the park is included in each of the appropriate state tables. The full operating base is shown; no attempt has been made to split the park operating base amount between two or more states.

Congr	FY 2000	FY 2001	FY 2002	FY 2002	
<u>Distr</u> <u>Park Units</u>	<u>Enacted</u>	<u>Enacted</u>	<u>Uncontrol</u>	<u>Program</u>	<u>FY 2002</u>
			<u>Changes</u>	<u>Changes</u>	<u>Estimate</u>
08 George Rogers Clark NHP	615,000	628,000	16,000	0	644,000
01,03 Indiana Dunes NL	6,751,000	6,903,000	169,000	0	7,072,000
09 Lincoln Boyhood NMem	762,000	781,000	19,000	0	800,000

The table does not include programs from other appropriations such as General Management Plans, Land Acquisition, Line Item Construction and Maintenance, Federal Lands Highway Program, and Historic Preservation Fund State Grants. Information on the distribution of funds in those programs is outlined on the next page. There are separate sections on General Management Plans and the Trails Management Program.

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(dollars in thousands)

PROGRAMS NOT INCLUDED IN PARK BASE:

GENERAL MANAGEMENT PLANS (See GMP section for further information)

<u>Park Area</u>	<u>Type of Project</u>
Lincoln Boyhood NMem	Ongoing Project

LAND ACQUISITION (see attached)

<u>Park Area</u>	<u>Remarks</u>	<u>Funds</u>
Indiana Dunes NL	a portion of 61 acres	\$500

CONSTRUCTION: LINE ITEM CONSTRUCTION

None

PROPOSED FEDERAL LANDS HIGHWAY PROGRAM

<u>Park Area</u>	<u>Project Title</u>	<u>Funds</u>
Indiana Dunes NL	Mill and Overlay Roads and parking areas	\$1,000

HISTORIC PRESERVATION FUND: STATE GRANTS

State apportionment: \$919

STATE CONSERVATION GRANTS

Proposed state apportionment: \$7,934

Land Acquisition and State Assistance/Federal Land Acquisition

Fiscal Year 2002 National Park Service Federal Land Acquisition Program

Program or Park Area: **Indiana Dunes National Lakeshore**

National Park Service Land Acquisition Priority (FY 2002): Priority No. 30

Location: Along the southern shore of Lake Michigan southeast of Chicago.

State/County/Congressional District: State of Indiana/LaPorte, Lake and Porter Counties/Congressional District Nos. 1 and 3

Land Acquisition Limitation Amount Remaining: There is no limitation.

Cost Detail:

Date	Acres	Total Amount
FY 2002 Request	A portion of 61 acres	\$500,000
Future Funding Need	82	\$3,500,000

The total amount includes the cost of title, appraisal, environmental site assessment, acquisition, and relocation assistance.

Improvements: Industrial.

Description: The national lakeshore was authorized November 11, 1966, to preserve certain portions of the Indiana Dunes and other areas of scenic, scientific, and historic interest, and recreational values.

Natural/Cultural Resources Associated with Proposal: The national lakeshore preserves an important remnant of a unique environment resulting from the retreat of the last great continental glacier over 14,000 years ago. It is the most completely preserved Great Lakes geological evolutionary sequence in the entire Great Lakes Basin. The national lakeshore contains 15,175 acres of land including 15 miles of the Lake Michigan shoreline.

Threat: The land protection plan assigns highest priority to the acquisition of vacant, undeveloped tracts to protect the ecosystem from threats of development. The plan also provides for the opportunity to rehabilitate lakeshore frontage that was previously used as buffer zone by industrial landowners.

Need: The requested funds will be used to acquire a tract owned by National Steel Corporation (Midwest Steel). They propose a phased acquisition to return the site to its natural state and restore the lake frontage to an area available for park visitor use. The Environmental Protection Agency is already working on the removal of this industrial site and the restoration of the acreage to habitat for animal and plant life.

Interaction with Landowners and Partners: The National Steel Corporation (Midwest Steel) has initiated meetings with the local community and the park staff to discuss this acquisition and the need to clean the site and sell it to the national lakeshore. It has been agreed that the acquisition be a "phased acquisition" with the tract being divided, if necessary, to accommodate the available funding, if the total appraised value amount is not available at one time. The Save the Dunes Council, a local environmental organization, has continually supported the mission of the lakeshore and its need to acquire lands as they become available inside the boundary.